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Estimated U.S. Live Poultry Slaughter Under Federal Inspection For Week Ending 12-Jun-99 (Thousand Head)

	Current Week	Previous Week
	06/12/99	06/05/99
Bro-Fry	153,802	138,558
Lt Hens	2,251	1,461
Hvy Hens	1,447	1,250

U.S. Fowl Slaughtered In Canada Weeks Ending 05-Jun-99 (Thousand Head)

	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total
Head	508	0	508
Last Week	549	13	562
Same Wk Yr Ago	540	0	540
To Date 1999	10,797	150	10,947
To Date 1998	12,546	204	12,750

Source: Agriculture Canada, Poultry Development Division

Total U.S. Fowl Slaughtered In The U.S. And Canada

	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total
Head	2,298	1,196	3,494
Last Week	2,823	1,418	4,241
Same Wk Yr Ago	2,682	1,417	4,099
To Date 1999	59,013	29,604	88,617
To Date 1998	59,104	27,855	86,959

Live Poultry Slaughtered Under Federal Inspection Week Ending 05-Jun-99 (Thousand Head)

	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
Head	141,773 (A)	1,790	1,196	2,986
Avg Wt	5.06	3.38	7.84	5.17
Last Week	156,997	2,274	1,405	3,679
Same Week Yr Ago	146,486	2,142	1,417	3,559
Avg Wt	4.90	3.41	7.86	5.58
To-Date/1999	3,312,294	48,216	29,454	77,670
To-Date/1998	3,194,273	46,558	27,651	74,209

⁽A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 153.5 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period 143.5 million head or 10.0 million head more than or 93 percent of estimated fryers available.

(R) Revised

Young Chickens Slaughtered Under Federal Inspection, Classified By Live Weight, Week Ending May 29, 1999

	(A) Fast Food/Food Service 4.20 Lbs & Down	e (B) Retail 4.21-5.25 Lbs	` '
Head Avg Weight % Of Total /1	34,095 3.83 30%	28,247 4.78 25%	49,680 6.08 44%
Comparisons			
Last Week	33,818	29,738	47,811
Avg Weight	3.80	4.76	6.09
% Of Total /1	30%	27%	43%
Same Week, Yr Ago		36,055	26,389
Avg Weight	3.85	4.87	5.88
% Of Total /1	31%	40%	29%
To Date/1999	700,531	589,917	927,767
To Date/1998	713,330	704,827	668,890
/1 May Not Total 7	To 100% Due To Rounding		
/2 Comparable Week	-		

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- (A) This weight class generally denotes chickens marketed in the fast food and food service industries. May also include Cornish hens.
- $(\mbox{\ensuremath{B}})$ This weight class generally denotes chickens marketed in the retail industry.
- (C) This weight class generally denotes chickens used in further processing. May also include heavy roasters sold in retail channels.

Live Turkeys Slaughtered Week Ending 29-May-99 (Thousand Head)

	Fryer- Roasters	Young Turkeys	Old Banded	Total
Head	0	4,593	38	4,631
Avg Wt	0.00	25.06	26.00	25.07
Head Sltr Comparisons				
Last Week	27	4,737	23	4,787
Same Week Yr Ago	0	3,222	15	3,237
Avg Wt	0.00	24.71	(B) 29.20	24.73
To-Date/1999	27	99,382	(B) 656	100,065
To-Date/1998	8	106,069	(B) 734	106,811

(B) Includes 322,000 young banded breeders in 1999 and 408,000 in 1998

Source: USDA/AMS Poultry Programs, Market News Branch. For Additional Information, Please Call (404) 562-5850.